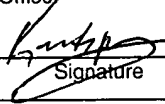


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1, APEX-2 AND APEX-3 AND USES THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**Supplemental Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111(a)(2)**

Sir:

This is a Supplemental Response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2002, a Reply to which was mailed on December 4, 2002. This Supplemental Response is to correct defects in the formal drawings previously submitted, to amend the specification to reflect such corrections, and to submit a signed Declaration of Prior Invention under 37 CFR 1.131. No fee is believed to be due. However, if any fee is deemed to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Account No. 19-3880 in the name of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

Please amend as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please delete the paragraph at page 5, lines 9-15 and replace the following paragraph therefore:

"Figures 2A and 2B: The nucleotide sequence of *apex-1* (SEQ ID NO: 1).

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